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The foregoing documents were cited during prosecution of parent Application No. 09/475,076, which serves as the basis for a claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 1.20 in this application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) copies of the documents need not be provided. However, to assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted documents are cited on the attached form PTO-1449 and copies of the non-U.S. patents are enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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